

came so strong upon him. I think he has always till night, and never broke her fast. She tried for her. I am sure he has. I've seen him in his vain.

I have heard him call her 'Meg,' and say it was her nineteenth birth-day. There he has been lying now, these weeks and months. Between him and her ba-

"I know," muttered Mr. Tagby; looking at the till, and round the shop, and at his wife; and rolling his head with immense intelligence. "Like Fighting Cocks!"

He was interrupted by a cry—a sound of lamentation—from the upper story of the house. The gentleman moved hurriedly to the door.

"My friend," said he, looking back, "you need n't discuss whether he shall be removed or not. He has spared you that trouble, I believe."

Saying so, he ran up stairs, followed by Mrs. Tugby, and a crowd of noisy, red-eyed, and cross-bred

"Follow her! Follow her! Follow her!" He heard the ghostly voices in the Bells repeat these words as he awoke. "Learn it, from the creature deep in the mire!"

It was over. It was over. And this was he, his father's pride and joy. This haggard, wretched woman, weeping by the bed, if it deserved that name, and the child, who had been born in the mire, and who had grown up an infant. Who can tell how spare, how sickly, and how poor an infant! Who can tell how dead.

"Thank God!" cried Troy, holding up his folded hands. "Oh God be thanked! She loves her child."

And the gentleman, not otherwise hard-hearted, or indifferent to such scenes, than that he saw them every day, and knew that they were figures of moment in the Filer suits—mere seraphs in the working of the world—was so moved by the sight, that he could not beat no more, and listened for the breath, and said, "His pain is over. It's better as it is." Mrs. Tug-

"Come, come," he said, with his hands in his pockets, "you mustn't give way, you know. That's the way, I had given away when I was porter; and I had as many as six runaway carriage-doubles at a time, and I never lost a single one, because of my strength of mind, and didn't open it!" "Follow me!"

Again Thornd heard the voices, saying, "Follow me!" and he followed, and he saw it was the same man, passing through the air. "Follow me!"

He loved to receive her; set down at her feet; looked up in her face for one trace of her old self; looked at her eyes, and saw that they were still shining round the child; to wane, so prematurely old, so dreadful in its gravity, so plaintive in its feeble, pleading appeal.

He clung to it as her only safeguard; as the last unborn link that bound her to endurance. He watched her every look upon it as the held it in her arms; and cried a thousand times: "She loves it!"

He saw the woman tend her in the night; return to her when her grating husband was asleep, and sit by her side, and soothe her with words of love and nourishment before her. He saw the day come, and night again; the day, the night; the time go by; the child grow up, and the woman grow old.

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softly opened, and a man looked in.
 "For the last time," he said.
 "William Fern?"
 "For the last time."
 He listened like a man pursued; and spoke in
 whispers.
 "Margaret, my race is nearly run. I could not find
 the time for starting word with you. Without one
 graceful word."
 "What have you done?" she asked.
 "He looked at her, but gave no answer.
 After a short silence, he made a gesture with his
 hand, and then asked a question by, as he brushed
 it aside; and said,
 "It is long ago, Margaret, now, but that night as
 I lay in bed, I thought of you and of Jess."
 He thought, then, beaded, looking round, "that we
 should ever meet like this." "Your child, Margaret?
 Yes, she is a girl, and she is like me both in
 spirit and in heart."
 He put his hat upon the floor, and took it, and he
 trembled, as he took it, from head to foot.
 "Is it a girl?"
 "Yes."
 He put his hand before his little face.
 "See how weak I'm grown, Margaret, when I
 was a child, I was a man, and I was a man now."
 I won't hurt her. It's long ago, but—What's her
 name?"
 "Margaret," she answered quickly.

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Who seems he too his old delights disown
And turn a false utilitarian leech?

'Tis his paternal fields at random thrown
Baffle the thorn, bright scene, from Orrest-head
Giv'd to the passing traveller's rapturous glance
Plead for thy peace, thou beautiful romance
Of nature; and if human hearts be dead,
Speak, passing winds, ye torrents, with your strife
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